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**REMARKS**

Claims 21-37 were pending in the above-identified application. By this Amendment, the Applicant has amended claims 32-35 and cancelled claim 30. The amendments to claims 32-34 make formal corrections thereto. The amendments to claim 35 were made to clarify the invention with regard to the type of material that may be included in the metal sphere. The amendments are supported by the application as originally filed, and do not introduce new matter. Accordingly, entry of the amendments to the claims is respectfully requested.

The Applicants believe that the present application, along with the terminal disclaimer filed on February 28, 2005, is in a condition of allowance. Accordingly, allowance of pending claims 21-29 and 31-37 is respectfully solicited. The Applicant invites the Examiner to contact the Applicant's undersigned representative to expedite prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,

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